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Incidents in residence halls affect many

Misuse of showers has decreased since warnings

By **Hannah Benson**
Reporter

Students who live in residence halls could be charged extra due to their neighbors' behavior in the bathroom. Some residence halls have had incidences where students have pooped in shower stalls. Sometimes the consequences affect more than the person who committed the crime. Charging the entire floor for excessive cleaning or damages to common areas when the responsible individual is not identified is known as community billing, said Tim Shaal, senior associate director of Residence Life. Since putting signs up in the second floor bathroom of McDonald Hall that said, "Please do not poop in the showers. If this is a regular occurrence, the whole floor will be charged," the action has stopped, Shaal said.

"It's a rare occurrence because a majority of the time we can identify the individual involved and we prefer to hold the individual accountable," he said. "It's rare; we might do it one time a year."

Freshman Blair Bishop said she started, "cracking up," when she first saw the signs. "I took a picture with my phone and I sent it to one of my friends because I thought it was hilarious," she said. She also said she has experienced several other "disgusting" incidents in the McDonald bathrooms. "The most disgusting thing I've ever witnessed was downstairs in the basement," she said. "Someone poured curdled milk in multiple sinks and not only did it smell disgusting, but it looked disgusting and I did not use that bathroom."

Bishop said these bathroom incidents make her wonder how clean the bathrooms can actually get. Freshman Mia Bell said she has experienced someone throwing up in the shower while she was in the bathroom.

"I was freaking out," Bell said. "I feel like I need to wear tennis shoes in the shower now, my flip-flops just aren't cutting it. I feel like I need a HAZMAT suit." Ultimately, Shaal said he didn't think one building had more issues

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BRIAN KELLEY and Tyler Hubbard, of Florida Georgia Line, sing at the Stroh Center during the Fall Concert. The band brought 4,800 people to the venue.



DALLAS SMITH was the opening act during the concert.



COLT FORD also sang at the concert. He was the second act and got a good crowd response.

'HERE'S TO THE GOOD TIMES' at BG

Florida Georgia Line sells out Stroh for fall concert

By **Geoff Burns**
Pulse Editor

Florida Georgia Line performed to a sold-out crowd of 4,800 people Sunday night at the Stroh Center. Opening artists included country singers Dallas Smith and Colt Ford as part of the "Here's To The Good Times Tour," which is to help support Florida Georgia Line's debut album "Here's to the Good Times" that was released in December 2012. The crowd roared as the lights went out right before country artist Dallas Smith started the night with his set list. The roar continued deeper into the night with lighters and cell phones shining and waving in the air as singer/songwriter Colt Ford sang songs like "Dirt Road Anthem," the co-written song for country artist Jason Aldean. Zack Holbrook, member of the marketing team for University Activities Organization, said the Stroh Center is a great venue for the shows and the organization was not expecting such a huge turnout when the tickets were first put up for sale on Ticketmaster. "This has been the biggest event [UAO has] hosted in a long time," Holbrook said. "We were expecting a lot of people to come out and for it to sell out but not as quick as it did." Lights, glow sticks and waving arms were seen during Florida Georgia Line's hour and a half set and the chants from fans were heard during each song. Singer/songwriter Tyler Hubbard of Florida Georgia Line looked out to the crowd before a song. "Bowling Green, we've been waiting for this night for a long time," Hubbard said as he held the microphone. The country band performed songs from its album "Here's To The Good Times" such as "Get Your Shine On," "Cruise" and "Dayum, Baby" while also mixing covers of other artists'



BRIAN KELLEY, of Florida Georgia Line, sings straight to fans at the concert.

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AT THE Call to Action open forum students, faculty and staff shared ideas on how to move forward after the recurrence of racially charged tweets.

Students host 2nd 'Call to Action' discussion Sunday night

By **Abby Welsh**
News Editor

While some students were just getting back into town from Fall Break Sunday night, about 50 others were in the Union study lounge to discuss an action plan regarding the racially charged tweets. After a silent protest where students, faculty and staff came

together to put duct tape over their mouths with the phrase "call to action" written over it Wednesday afternoon, students came together Sunday night in order to decide the next step in a student-driven movement to promote cultural education in order to prevent incidents like

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University to offer 2 new minors next fall

Coaching, management minors to benefit education, other majors in future careers

By **Kendra Clark**
In Focus Editor

Students from all different majors might be interested in two new minors that may be offered starting fall 2014. The minors are coaching and management for non-business major students. These minors have been brought up and passed through the Undergraduate Council and are on their way to becoming available for students to minor in. The coaching minor requires 21 credit hours and the management minor is 18 credit hours, said Sue Houston, vice provost for Academic Affairs and head

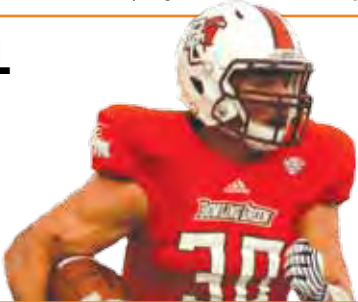
of the council that created the minors. "They will move forward but they aren't totally official yet," Houston said. "It takes a while to get into the catalog, but they should be available next fall semester." After faculty members presented the two minors, the council had a chance to ask questions then vote on whether to approve them. When the minors were presented, "there were some clarifying questions asked, but in general there was support [in the council] for both minors," Houston said. The students who heard about the minors were in

support as well, said Kasie Durkit, academic affairs chair for Undergraduate Student Government who was also on the council committee. "[It] was something the education majors saw as really beneficial because a lot of education majors will become teachers who also as a side job become coaches in high schools or middle schools," she said. It's a nice way to learn the managerial tasks of being a coach and how to communicate in a sports sense, Durkit said. "It gives you extra skill," she said. "Because that's two different

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FALCON - BULLDOG BRAWL

The BG football team lost a close game to the Mississippi State Bulldogs 21-20 on Saturday. The 5-2 Falcons return to the field on Oct. 26 against the University of Toledo Rockets. | **PAGE 6**



SHUTDOWN

Guest columnist Derek Sutter talks about the government shutdown and what it has affected. He also talks about what caused the shutdown— not the Democrats or Republicans, but something else. | **PAGE 4**

IF YOU COULD CREATE A MINOR AT THE UNIVERSITY WHAT WOULD IT BE?



"A minor in comedy because it takes a lot more work than people think it does."
Mathew Murray
Freshman, Undecided

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the tweets from happening again.

Tweets suggesting the Black Student Union is prejudice against white people were sent from the Twitter handle @PatFalcon around 12 a.m. this past Monday.

The Black Student Union, Latino Student Union, VISION, World Student Association and India Student Association made a separate campaign from Not In Our Town called Call To Action. While the organizations appreciate the support from Not In Our Town, their meaning is different.

“Not In Our Town’s meaning is to make people aware and push for support from others, while Call To Action is actually putting those words into action,” said Kobe Huynh, president of World Student Association.

Anyone can join the campaign by contacting any of the organizations involved.

While there is no set plan of what will come, students came together to discuss possible ways to get

the administration to help educate students on diversity and the issues that have going on with racism on campus.

“We want a better partnership and communication between students and faculty,” said Kevin Lewis, BSU president. “Not just so we are tolerated, but appreciated.”

After the open forum on Tuesday, an action plan was made for the University for any future incidents.

The action plan, as of now, calls for an investigation to immediately happen when something dealing with racism happens and for the president of Undergraduate Student Government and the Office of Equality and Diversity to release a statement to the entire University with details of what happened, results of the investigation and how the University will move forward.

Alex Solis, USG president, did not attend the event but said he believes the campaign is important in order for everyone can be aware.

“This just proves that one person, one voice can

make something like this happen and affects everyone,” Solis said.

While Solis and David Neely, USG vice president, were not fully informed about the first open forum, they plan on attending more once a better line of communication is met.

“Once there is a set time, date and place for these meetings, [Neely and I] will absolutely be apart of them. This is important,” Solis said. “It’s simple awareness and education that will pull everyone together.”

The Call To Action campaign is not strictly for multicultural students, faculty and staff but is geared toward the entire community as a whole in order to educate everyone about the issues.

“We want to unify everyone in order to figure out what we will do,” Lewis said. “We just want to bring more cultural education to the curriculum because the University should be living up to values of diversity.”

The next meeting will be hosted Oct. 28 at the Union in the second floor study area.

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songs into the set like Bruno Mars’ “Grenade” and Akon’s “Nobody Wants To See Us Together.”

Senior Stephanie Douglas attended the show and said it was the long set list that made her enjoy the show.

“It was my first time seeing them and it was really great,” Douglas said. “I think having it at the Stroh worked really well for them.”

Vice-President of Marketing

for UAO, Mackenzie Williams, said seeing so many people happy because of an event her organization hosted is a great feeling.

“People have been thanking us for picking the artists we did and I was actually optimistic when we were first choosing what artist to bring in,” Williams said. “It was so cool to see how loud it was and to hear all of the screams from everyone.”

Senior Jake Moore said he has always been into country music and Sunday night was his first time ever seeing any of the country artists perform live.

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than the rest.

“Every year is different,” he said. “It has more to do with the community and who lives there than it has to do with the building.”

Shaal said when situations like this come up, the hall directors communicate to Residence Life what the issue is and make recommendations of what needs to happen.

As far as the students’ voice, he said they try to address that

through hall council and often hear complaints after they have introduced community billing as an option.

“We may get a student who says I didn’t have anything to do with this and we’ll have to evaluate that on a case-by-case basis,” Shaal explained.

Community billing is not used as a threat, only when it is actually considered an option.

“If we are going to bill a floor or community we will let them know ahead of time, so the community can help us identify who is doing this,” he said.

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things, teaching world history and teaching how to do a free throw.”

Freshman Maddy Garlough is an Inclusive Early Childhood major and is aware of the benefits of having a coaching minor for teachers looking for jobs.

“I’ve considered coaching before,” she said. “It helps you get a job if you’re willing to coach. My parents are both teachers and that’s how they got their jobs.”

The more qualified in different things you are, the better, Garlough said.

“Schools are often looking for coaches so it makes you more marketable to places,” she said.

Junior Renee Modrowski, an Early Childhood Education major, doesn’t think the coaching minor will give her too much of a boost when looking for jobs.

“As a teacher, they are looking for more educational aspects,” she said. “They aren’t looking for coaches.”

Modrowski said it would be helpful for those interested in becoming a coach already.

“It’s a great benefit if teachers want to coach a softball team or something like that,” she said. “They are more than welcome to [minor] in it. A lot of the times, the teachers are coaches.”

The other new minor is targeted for more non-business majors, Durkit said.

“If they do pursue something in the field of business, they will have those skills,” she said. “You could be a manager of a small business or a leader or even if you were just interning and have a business background, you would have fundamental skills and knowledge of managing.”

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ANDRE GIVENS had one touchdown against the Bulldogs on Saturday.



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BG DEFENSE prevented Mississippi State from scoring the entire second half.



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TRAVIS GREENE cuts past a UMass defender two weeks ago. Greene had 99 net yards against Mississippi State on Saturday.

BATTLE DOWN SOUTH

Falcons fall to Southeastern Conference opponent Mississippi State by 1 point, BG defense keeps Bulldogs scoreless in second half

By Alex Krempasky
Sports Editor

The BG football team nearly did something it hasn't done since 1985— beat a Southeastern Conference school.

The Falcons fell short to the Mississippi State University Bulldogs 21-20 on Saturday night.

"I'm disappointed that we didn't win, but that's the only thing I'm disappointed with," head coach Dave Clawson said. "Our effort was outstanding, our preparation was great. Our kids played their heart out and we came up one point short."

The Falcons started the game rough by giving up a touchdown on Mississippi State's first drive down the field. BG came back and kicker Tyler Tate hit a 35-yard field goal to make the score 7-3. However, the Bulldogs answered again with

a 75-yard rushing touchdown by MSU quarterback Dak Prescott.

The Falcons started the second quarter by forcing a punt on the Bulldogs' drive and then running back Andre Givens ran for a 7-yard touchdown on the following drive.

The next drive became a turning point for BG as it marked the first time a player has been ejected. Defensive back BooBoo Gates was ejected from the game with less than five minutes left in the first half for targeting. Gates hit Prescott in the head during the tackle, which by rule is an automatic ejection.

Prescott would run the ball 10 yards for his second rushing of the game on the following play.

BG got the ball back with 1:04 left on the clock and was able to drive the ball down into field goal territory. Tate made a 45-yard field

goal as time expired to end the first half with Mississippi State leading 21-13.

The third quarter began with BG receiving the kickoff but the Falcons were unable to produce a point after Tate missed a 45-yard field goal on their 6:02 long opening drive.

Though that drive might have been disappointing on the offensive side, the Falcon defense forced Mississippi State to throw three-straight incomplete passes and forced the Bulldogs to punt.

On the next drive, the Falcons drove the ball down the field and after a 17-yard pass from quarterback Matt Johnson to wide receiver Ryan Burbrink, the Falcons got a big momentum swing. Burbrink caught another pass, this time for 24 yards, but on the tackle the Mississippi State defender took a hold of Burbrink's facemask resulting in a personal

foul. This resulted in a 39-yard gain on the play and gave the Falcons the ball inside Mississippi State's red zone. Running back Travis Greene ran the ball in for 11 yards before Johnson ran the ball twice, resulting in a 2-yard rushing touchdown that made the score 21-20.

"I thought at halftime we had a lot of momentum," Clawson said. "We came out in the second half and we went right down the field, missed the field goal, and then we got the ball right back and we scored a touchdown."

Though there may be a second loss in the record book, there were upsidesto the Falcons performance in Starkville.

BG did not commit any considerable turnovers during the game. Its turnover came on the

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Hockey drops two games against Union College

Falcons begin season 0-2, look to improve before home opener

By Cameron Teague
Robinson
Assistant Sports Editor

The BG hockey team had its season opening away series at Union College this past weekend.

The Falcons tied their first match Friday 3-3 and lost Saturday's match 2-5.

On Friday, the Falcons began the game on the wrong side of the scoreboard as Union scored at the 10:08 minute mark of the first period off a goal from Eli Lichtenwald. That goal was followed by another Union goal with about one minute left in the first period.

In the second period, the Falcons answered with two goals in quick succession. Junior Dan DeSalvo scored the first goal for the Falcons at the 13:38 mark of the

second period. Almost immediately following at the 11:44 mark freshman Falcon Pierre-Luc Mercier scored the equalizer for the first goal of his career.

Union College was able to take the lead once again with a goal at the 6:56 mark of the second period. The Falcons responded later in that period with a Bryce Williamson equalizer late in the period. Nobody was able to put another goal during the first game.

On Saturday night, Union got on the board first with a goal by Philadelphia Flyers third round draft pick Shayne Gostisbehere, approximately one minute into the game.

The Falcons, like the night before, answered right back with a goal

of their own by another freshman Matt Pohlkamp. The goal tied game 1-1 at the 7:48 minute mark.

Union College had to back-to-back power-plays in the second period and both of those resulted in Union College goals which gave them a 3-1 episode.

After Union College scored two more goals early in the third period, BG was able to score its second goal of the evening with 9:32 remaining in the game. The Union goaltender made the initial save, but could not hold onto the puck. Mark Cooper found the rebound and fired the puck into the back of the net, cutting the lead to 5-2.

The Falcons hosts the Ohio State University Buckeyes Tuesday at 7:07 p.m.

Men's soccer defeats Northern Illinois in overtime during weekend

Falcons earn 2nd Mid-American Conference win on road against Huskies

By Tiffany Williams
Reporter

The Falcons won in overtime this Saturday 1-0 against Northern Illinois.

This was BG's first overtime win this season and their second Mid-American Conference win in a row making its record 3-5-4 overall and 2-1-0 in the MAC division.

"We worked so hard, especially in the MAC, we know that the MAC is just a battle every year," said midfielder Brandon Silva. "It just comes down to moments. Like I said we work hard and for it to pay off like that in the MAC is a good feeling and we look forward to continuing that feeling."

In front of a home crowd BG out shot Northern Illinois 27-10 and attempted more corner kicks. The Falcons goalkeeper Michael Wiest helped keep their opponent scoreless with 10 saves while

"We worked so hard, especially in the MAC, we know that the MAC is just a battle every year."

Brandon Silva | Midfielder

Northern Illinois goalkeeper only had two saves.

The Falcons midfielder Ryan James was taken down in the second half, giving forward Anthony Grant the chance to score with a penalty kick, but his shot was too wide and he was unable to get the goal for his team.

Neither BG nor Northern Illinois could score in regular time, forcing the game into overtime.

Recovering from the missed penalty kick Anthony Grant shot his third goal of the season and the teams' only goal

of the game at the 101:06 mark which was assisted by defender Sean Sikich.

"When I missed that PK I turned to my teammates and let them know that I would make up for that, I told my coach as well I got this," Anthony Grant said. "I just went out there delivered and got the victory."

"To outrun a guy like that in that pace and get past him and finish calmly, that's hard work," Grant said about his winning goal.

This was the Falcons' first time winning against Northern Illinois in almost six years, the last win they received against them was in 2007 when they took the win 3-1.

"We've been playing really well this season," head coach Eric Nichols said. "We have created tons of chances and gotten lots of shots, dominated possessions a lot of times; I feel like we are doing the right thing."

PEOPLE ON THE STREET If you could create a minor at the University what would it be?



BRIANA SHUMAKE
Freshman,
Nursing

"I would want a 'creative aesthetics' minor. You would mix minors together to make your own minor."



DELORENZO HINES
Senior,
Criminal Justice

"Foreign affairs because the world market is vast and they need to know that it's more than just the United States."



NICOLE BREWER
Junior,
Early Childhood Education

"Music education because I learn by song and music is a huge part of my life."



RACHEL DUTTON
Sophomore,
Early Childhood Education

"Creativity because it would help education majors."

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-TRYING TO GET SOME R&R

Fall break's too short.
#IWANTTOSTAYHOME

I can't believe that even in college, I have to deal with people who openly cough into the air like children.
-DON'T WANT TO GET SICK

I go home for rest and relaxation, but all I get is my family fighting the whole weekend.
-SHUT UP AND STOP

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#CRIMEPROBLEMS

My biggest problem with breaks in the middle of the semester is that nothing gets done. I wind up forgetting about everything and scrambling Sunday and Monday to it get done.
-DON'T ASSIGN HOMEWORK DURING LONG WEEK-ENDS

Is it Friday yet?
#CONCERTNIGHT

To the creeper watching me dance in the window of Founders, it's Irish dance. Not "river dancing." Try it, then you won't be distracted.
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Government shutdown caused by Constitution



DEREK SUTTER
GUEST COLUMNIST

Events on Capitol Hill are taking a dreadful path.

Political paralysis has left Congress unable to pass a budget that fully funds the federal government, and the debt ceiling is a fast-approaching economic disaster.

Parks, monuments and museums have closed. Hundreds of thousands of federal workers are furloughed. Small businesses have been cast into limbo. Trade deals are placed on hold. Economic confidence is exhausted. And the durability of the dollar is being questioned.

America's image abroad, like its economy, has been compromised.

In an age of mass global communication, the eyes of people around the world are locked on Washington. To Americans and foreigners alike, the United States appears weak, fragmented and self-destructive.

In addition, a Gallup report from this past week showed 33 percent of Americans consider dysfunctional government the nation's most pressing problem—the highest level ever recorded.

Like my fellow Americans, I am angered by this government-induced damage to our delicate economy and world image. So who is to blame? Democrats. Republicans.

Both parties.

Your respective political ideology likely determined your exasperated cry.

But I think the correct question is not "who" but "what" is to blame?

The culprit is the Constitution.

Indeed, the document that enjoys a near-sacred status among Americans is the architect of this political paralysis and the resulting budget and debt ceiling crises that are weakening us today.

Under the Constitution, passing something as simple as a budget at the national level requires the approval of at least three different bodies: the Senate, the House of

Representatives and the president. To make matters worse, these separate powers are responsible to vastly different constituencies, further inducing the maddening gridlock and indecision.

This wide division of powers promotes politically expedient finger-pointing rather than actual programs to help rebuild the economy. One branch always has another to blame.

And the deficiencies within the Constitution do not stop at the paralysis it is inclined to produce.

Wyoming and California are each allocated two votes in the Senate, even though the latter has approximately seventy times the population of the former.

Democratic? Not so much. Furthermore, consider that on four separate occasions in American history, a presidential candidate has won the presidency while losing the popular election. This occurred as recently as the 2000 election, when George W. Bush ascended to the highest office even though Al Gore won the popular contest by more than 500,000 votes.

Confused? Check out Article II and Amendment XII of our beloved Constitution. These statutes provide for a messy and rather undemocratic method of presidential election.

This system forces presidential candidates to focus on just a handful of battleground states, while the others—including the most populous states of California, New York and Texas—are ignored. And as we have seen, the candidate with the most support does not always emerge victorious.

The aim of this disparaging article is not so much to propose solutions as it is to start a conversation about the Constitution and its flaws.

In recognizing the Constitution's role in the present crisis and its undemocratic edicts, Americans should begin to consider serious reforms to their centuries-old framework.

Indeed, the Founding Fathers chucked the Articles of Confederation upon discovering the depth of its flaws.

I suggest we take heed.

Respond to Derek at
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Easier communication spreads movement across nation



ARPAN YAGNIK
COLUMNIST

Communication these days is incredibly fast and easy; it is also highly accessible and comparatively less controlled.

It takes less than a minute to spread the word about an event to thousands of people, which was not the case even 30 years ago.

When I was in grade school, I had a lesson in history detailing the very famous 1857 revolt against the British colonial rule in India. The leaders planning the revolt met secretly and established a date for nation-wide revolt; however, the toughest challenge was to spread the information concerning the date nationally.

British rulers kept a tight watch on what information was being shared in the vernacular newspapers and other forms of public communications. There were hardly any other safe mediums of mass information exchange. The information about the dates was spread across the nation in tiffin boxes.

'Tiffin box' is a commonly used phrase for lunch box in India. Working men and

women would carry tiffin boxes because the concept of fast food chains was yet to come into existence. It took the planners nearly two years to spread the information about the date for the revolt.

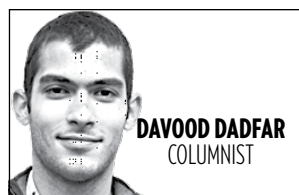
The revolt ultimately failed because individuals in one of the regions initiated it a few days prior to the decided date and the British scented a malicious scheme. Nowadays, all it takes is to create an event on one of the social media websites and click invite all. Thus, I say communication has revolutionized social movements.

Social change is not an innocent process. Change is a constant struggle. It is a negotiation between various competing forces. Social movements spurring up from the grassroots were and are important change makers. They are powerful because the agenda is set directly by the aspirants of the change.

There is minimal to no interference of an external expert. Grassroots social movements are also preferred because their goals are long-term and sustainable in nature. Despite the overt advantages of grassroots social movements, their funda-

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Politicians should fear being 'out of touch'



DAVOOD DADFAR
COLUMNIST

As politicians in Washington reach a stalemate and the American people wait for their government to resume, one must still wonder if there is any hope left for today's politics.

I'm not referring to left- or right-wing agendas, but the mere ability to achieve progress in a diplomatic fashion.

Negotiations today don't reflect much difference between negotiations in the past. Leaders such as Roosevelt and Johnson faced many critics who doubted their goals both domestically and abroad.

Similar to politicians today, they faced difficult choices in choosing the right decision over what may have been the more popular decision versus what may be the right decision. Today's choices haven't changed much, but the type of politician has.

Today's events have shown us politicians are nothing more than grown-up children, using tactics that a child begging for candy would use. What's worse is that many

voters are fueled to place their votes based on these qualities alone. As a result we find that politicians aren't elected based off of money, intellect or power.

They are chosen based on their ability to appease the simple-minded and those swayed by the general media.

The ability to gain access to information rapidly has also changed our scope of politicians. Social media outlets such as Twitter and Facebook are now being utilized to rally support for causes and display who's winning the popularity vote.

All this has achieved is the division of American families and groups who view political issues differently. One could argue that it's the average politician that divides a nation, not the laws or motives they try to instill.

If there is one thing politicians should fear more than conspiracy theories and sex scandals, it's the possibility of falling out of touch with reality.

Far too many of today's politicians have fallen out of touch with what's capable and acceptable among the

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PAIGE AMODIO kicks the ball down field against the University of Toledo Rockets on Sunday. The Falcons lost 2-0 to the Rockets during the weekend.

Women’s soccer earns loss, tie during weekend

By Tara Jones
Reporter

The BG women’s soccer team moves to 0-11-1 overall and 0-5-1 in the MAC following this weekend’s conference matchups at Cochrane Field.

The Falcons came away Friday with their first tie of the season against Northern Illinois. After a double overtime battle, the match ended 0-0 as the referee waved off a last-minute effort by the Huskies, who made a shot just after time had expired. The draw gave BG their first point in MAC play and its first shutout in more than a year.

Head coach Lindsay Basalyga said the Falcon’s 110 minutes of play against NIU was much better than they have seen in previous games. She said the team is finally playing as if

they “deserve to win.”

“We walked away with a little luck on our side finally, but I think luck comes from hard work and discipline and risk-taking,” Basalyga said. “This feels a lot better than walking away with a loss.”

Freshman defender Paige Amodio, who played all 110 minutes for the Falcons, said her team is very proud of its defensive effort in the shutout.

“We feel like we’ve definitely come a long way since the beginning of the season,” Amodio said. “The first shutout feels amazing. It feels like everything we’ve worked for finally came together.”

BG dropped its game Sunday against Toledo 0-2. The rivalry match between the Falcons and the Rockets was a physi-

“We feel like we’ve definitely come a long way since the beginning of the season.”

Paige Amodio | Defender

cal battle with a total of 28 fouls between the two teams. Both teams remained scoreless going into halftime, but two goals within nearly 30 seconds of one another late in the second half by Toledo elevated them to the win.

Redshirt freshman and goalkeeper Lauren Cadel helped keep the Falcons in the match with 8 total saves on the day and 90 full minutes of play.

“We knew it was going to be a battle against Toledo, and I think we

matched their physicality,” said Cadel. “We came out hard and, I mean, it’s definitely better than the previous two Sunday matches.”

On the weekend, Coach Basalyga said her team matched its goal of tying or winning more periods than in previous games with ties coming in five periods of play on the weekend, including the two periods and two overtimes of the NIU game and the first half of the Toledo game.

“We put together two quality games relative to the past in a Friday/Sunday split,” Basalyga said. “I don’t think [Sunday] we made mistakes that led to goals. We forced a team to find a way to beat us.”

The Falcons face the Buffalo Bulls and Akron Zips this weekend.

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final play, in which BG players were lateraling the ball to each other like the infamous final play of the 1982 California-Stanford game. Also, Gates recorded the Falcons’ second interception of the year half-way through the first quarter.

BG’s defense was dominant the entire second half by not giving up a single point during the 30 minutes of play.

There are a couple of notable facts following the loss against Mississippi State: BG has not allowed a field goal

this season. Two opponents, including Mississippi State, were able to hit the uprights but there has not been a team able to hit a successful field goal this season.

Another impressive stat that the Falcons have to boast is their .500 red zone defense percentage, which is the best in the country after seven games. BG is in front of defensively dominant teams including Louisville, Baylor and Clemson, who are all ranked in the national top 25 polls.

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mental weakness was the flow of information. Prompt and accurate exchange of communication was crucial to the success of a social movement.

With modern mediums of communication this weakness has been transformed into strength. To give you an example, the movement at the University this past week was successful in gathering substantial crowd strength in much less time. I cannot stress enough that access, affordability, accuracy and speed of communication have made grassroots social movements unimaginably powerful.

Support from agencies or

an individual is another variable highly important to the sustenance grassroots social movements. Mediated communication and networks have aided in gathering seamless supports for the campaigns. Geographical boundaries have been eliminated. We still have to figure out, though, a way to eliminate physical boundaries. University alumni sitting in Mongolia can support the movements happening here in Bowling Green.

Support in this age of modern communication and technology has surpassed the traditional boundaries.

Lack of cohesion is a criticism of grassroots social movements. Effective communication management can address the issue of cohesion in the

grassroots social movements. Ability to receive and send communication at will among the members of the group also to a great extent addresses the issue of hierarchy. Instead of top-down it becomes a horizontal structure, which is believed to be more participative, dialogic and collaborative in nature.

I may say two things with certainty here. Firstly, social change cannot be manufactured or in other words there does not exist a unique formula that can bring about social change. And secondly, addition of effective communication can certainly increase the effectiveness of the grassroots social movements.

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global audience.

Too many are divided between pleasing their voters and pleasing their own egos. We have seen this time after time as highly capable

individuals enter the political atmosphere only to fall to their own vices. All this has shown is that politics is a black hole that has the capability to consume capable people and turn them into nothing more than liars and criminals.

If the American people want to move forward, they need

to be more observant of their surroundings and elect selfless individuals who are forward-thinking and willing to think on behalf of the generations that will succeed them, not just the ones that are already in place.

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2 Sitcom for Sherman Hemsley

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15 "The ____ List"; movie for Cuba Gooding, Jr.

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35 Before, to a poet

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15 "Come Blow Your ____"; Frank Sinatra movie

16 "Kate & ____"

19 "____ dead people"; Cole's line in "The Sixth Sense"

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24 "My Name Is ____"

25 McCallum and Letterman

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30 Actress Suzy ____

31 "Making the ____"; musical reality series

32 In ____; on the same wavelength

33 "The ____ Reed Show"

34 Actress Lamarr

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